

## IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-8 (cancelled)

Claim 9. (currently amended) A method for treating hepatocellular carcinoma consisting of ~~comprising~~ administering to a patient in need thereof a pharmaceutical composition consisting of thalidomide as a single principle ingredient in an amount of 30 to 1200 mg and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 10. (cancelled)

Claim 11. (previously presented) The method according to claim 9, wherein the amount of thalidomide is 50 to 800 mg.